

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

WILLIAM STEPHENSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

STEPHANIE CLENDENIN, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:22-cv-01521-DAD-JDP (PC)

ORDER

GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO
AMEND COMPLAINT AND MOTION
FOR EXPEDITED RULING

ECF Nos. 25 & 28

Plaintiff, a civil detainee proceeding without counsel, brought this action alleging that defendants violated his rights under both the Fourteenth Amendment and California law by denying him various rights that are afforded prisoners, parolees, and other patients in the same civil detention program. ECF No. 1 at 5-6. I screened and directed service for that complaint on January 12, 2023. ECF No. 7. On December 7, 2023, plaintiff moved to amend his complaint. ECF No. 25. Defendants have not opposed that motion, and I will grant it. Accordingly, this action shall proceed on the complaint attached to the motion at ECF No. 25 at 4-13. The Clerk shall be directed to docket this complaint separately. Having screened the new complaint, I conclude that it should proceed past screening. In resolving the motion to amend, I grant plaintiff's motion for expedited ruling on his request to amend. ECF No. 28. I will address the


1 other motions pending on the docket by way of a separate order.

2 Accordingly, it is ORDERED that:

- 3 1. Plaintiff's motion to amend complaint, ECF No. 25, is GRANTED.
- 4 2. This action shall proceed on the amended complaint contained at ECF No. 25, pages
- 5 4-13. The Clerk of Court is directed to docket those pages as a separate entry titled
- 6 "First Amended Complaint."
- 7 3. Plaintiff's motion for expedited ruling on his motion to amend, ECF No. 28, is
- 8 GRANTED.

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10 IT IS SO ORDERED.

11 Dated: March 11, 2024

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13 JEREMY D. PETERSON
14 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE